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In re Application of

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STATUS LETTER

This is in response to applicants' attorney's request, filed December 5, 2003, to withdraw from representation in the above identified application.

Insofar as can be determined the above identified attorney and those listed on the request as well as the above noted firm have never been appointed to represent the above identified applicant in this application. Therefor no withdrawal can be effected.

The request to withdraw is **DISMISSED**.

Should there be any questions with regard to this letter please contact William R. Dixon, Jr. by letter addressed to the Director, Technology Center 1600, PO BOX 1450, ALEXANDRIA, VA 22313-1450, or by telephone at 571-272-0519 or by facsimile transmission at Office facsimile number.

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